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1 an expert in an area and the extent to which you accept that
2 witness' testimony as expert testimony are matters left
3 entirely to you, the jury. And I'll give you further
4 instructions on this as well as other matters at the end of
5 the case.

6 Mr. Asonye, you may proceed.

7 BY MR. ASONYE:

8 Q. Agent Welch, have you been present each day in this
9 courtroom so far in this trial?

10 A. Yes, I have.

11 Q. Have you heard all of the testimony --

12 THE COURT: I thought we excluded witnesses.

13 MR. ASONYE: Except for -- Your Honor, except for
14 expert witnesses, Your Honor --

15 THE COURT: Is that right?

16 MR. ASONYE: -- and case agents.

17 THE COURT: The case agents I did admit. But the
18 next time we do this, it's my clear recollection, Mr. Asonye,
19 that I wasn't admitting experts. You need to ask
20 specifically. You're going to go ahead now, I'm going to
21 permit that, but I want you to remember that. I typically
22 allow the case agents to remain. I don't typically allow
23 experts for either side to remain.

24 MR. ASONYE: Appreciate it, Your Honor. We'll check
25 the transcript, but we believe that we said case agent

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1 and expert witness.

2 THE COURT: Well, let me be clear: I don't care
3 what the transcript says. Maybe I made a mistake. But I want
4 you to remember don't do that again. When I exclude
5 witnesses, I mean everybody. Now, it may be that I didn't
6 make that clear. It may be that I did allow this, but don't
7 do it in the future.

8 MR. ASONYE: Fair enough, Your Honor.

9 THE COURT: I beg your pardon?

10 MR. ASONYE: I said fair enough, Your Honor.

11 THE COURT: Well, it's right. Fair enough.

12 All right. I just want you to have that in mind,
13 Mr. Asonye, because you appear here again. And when I exclude
14 witnesses, I mean everybody unless I make a specific
15 exception, and I do for case agents.

16 Proceed. It's not a big deal, but I want you to be
17 clear about that.

18 MR. ASONYE: May I proceed, Your Honor?

19 THE COURT: You may.

20 BY MR. ASONYE:

21 Q. Have you heard all of the testimony of the witnesses who
22 have testified thus far in this case?

23 A. Yes, I have.

24 Q. And have you reviewed all the exhibits that have been
25 admitted thus far in this trial?

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